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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING and
HAND DELIVERY OF CONFIDENTIAL TESTIMONY AND EXHIBITS**

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk and Executive Director
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia SC 29210

Re: **Cherokee County Cogeneration Partners, LLC v. Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and
Duke Energy Progress, LLC
Docket Number: 2020-263-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Attached for filing with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the “Commission”) in the above-referenced docket, please find the Direct Testimony and Exhibits of the following witnesses on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (collectively, the “Companies”):

1. Michael Keen
2. Kendal C. Bowman
3. Glen A. Snider
4. John Freund

Mr. Keen’s Exhibit 2 contains confidential information, which was originally filed as DEC/DEP Late-Filed Exhibit 2, upon conclusion of an oral argument heard by the Commission in this matter. Additionally, Mr. Keen’s Exhibit 3 and the Direct Testimony of John Freund contains confidential information, which has not been previously filed with the Commission. The information for which the Companies seek protection is confidential and proprietary, and the Companies respectfully request that pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-40(a)(1), the redacted portions of this testimony and exhibits are exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, S.C. Code Ann. §§ 30-4-10 *et. seq.* and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-840(S)(1).

Accordingly, the Companies are filing the confidential versions of Keen DEC/DEP Exhibit 2, Keen DEC/DEP Exhibit 3 and the Direct Testimony of John Freund under seal and respectfully request that the Commission maintain this information as confidential pursuant to Commission

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Order No. 2005-226. The Companies are filing redacted versions of the exhibits and testimony that protect from disclosure the confidential information, while making available for public viewing non-protected information. Additionally, the Companies are hand delivering to the Commission and electronically delivering to the Office of Regulatory Staff copies of the confidential version of these documents.

Sincerely,



Rebecca J. Dulin

cc: Parties of Record (via email w/ attachments)